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VISCOUNT HAYASHI'S GOOD-BYE.



Yasushichi Hayashi.
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Viscount Hayashi, the Japanese Ambassador, who leaves England to-day for a six months' holiday in Japan, yesterday sat for his photograph to the *Daily Mirror*. The picture shows him writing the autograph reproduced.

SUFFRAGETTE MEETING IN VICTORIA PARK.



Mrs. Stanbury, of the Old Suffragers' Society, addressing a meeting in Victoria Park last Sunday. The women who want votes have no intention of abandoning their crusade because the Premier declines to grant them an interview, but will hold meetings everywhere.

KING CARLOS AND KING ALFONSO.



King Alfonso of Spain welcoming King Carlos of Portugal on the pigeon-shooting ground at Madrid. King Carlos has met with a remarkably warm reception from the populace at Madrid, and the relations between the two countries are of the most friendly description.

GREAT CRISIS APPROACHING.

COUNTRY'S PREPARATIONS.

A WORD TO THE UNREADY.

(Special to the "Daily Mirror.")

Well-authenticated information has come to hand indicating that in the almost immediate future we may expect a great domestic upheaval throughout the entire country. We believe it will affect in greater or less degree the homes of all classes, rich and poor, high and low. Some folks call it "Spring Cleaning."

There are many who, though loving cleanliness, would cheerfully forego the benefits of Spring Cleaning to spare the discomfort which it occasions.

But Spring Cleaning need not involve turning the whole house inside out, and making all the inhabitants thoroughly uncomfortable. These methods are out of date.

Messrs. Joseph Watson and Sons, Ltd., of Leeds, are the pioneers of the new and easy way, and Watson's Matchless Cleanser, Nubolic and Sparkla are the three famous soaps which accomplish so much for those who use them.

Elsewhere on this page further interesting particulars are given about them, and our readers are shown how they may get more than two pounds of soap free of all cost.

RELIEF MEASURES.

The First Essential.

Watson's Matchless Cleanser is the most useful soap procurable for general household purposes. Neither time nor money has been spared in its manufacture. It is the outcome of years of careful, scientific experiment with the best materials obtainable, and its great and increasing popularity with all classes affords ample proof that Messrs. Watson's efforts have met with success. They are confident that one fair trial of this famous soap will convince anyone of its superiority over all other cleansers, and that it thoroughly well merits its name.

Watson's Matchless Cleanser washes clothes in a manner that will surprise and delight all who use it. It dispels the worries of wash-day, does away with hard work, and causes no injury to even the most delicate fabrics. A pound tablet of Watson's Matchless Cleanser costs 3d. It goes further and does more than two pounds of any ordinary soap. It makes the clothes perfectly clean and sweet, and thus brings a sense of extra comfort and satisfaction to the wearer.

A NATION'S HEALTH.

The cheapest and most effective form of protection against infection or disease entering your home is undoubtedly Watson's Nubolic.

Nubolic cleanses and disinfects at the same time. Its use will keep your larder, pantry, and scullery clean and wholesome. It finds its way into every nook and corner, bringing thorough cleanliness and freshness wherever it goes. Splendid for washing all kinds of flannels and woollens.

Its use in the sick room wards off infection and prevents the spread of disease. 2d., 2½d., and 3d. per full pound tablet.

Nubolic is a splendid nursery soap, being absolutely pure, and well adapted to the tender, sensitive skin of young children. Its use in the bath brings a delightful feeling of freshness and vigour.

THE BRIGHTER SIDE.

Watson's Sparkla makes brightness everywhere. It is a scouring soap and metal polish combined, at 1d. per tablet, the cheapest of its kind that you can get. It first removes all dirt and rust from the article, and then brings a brilliant and lasting shine. Sparkla is free from acid or any harmful ingredient. It makes pots and pans, and articles of steel, brass, copper, or tin, shine like new, and this with very little labour. It removes obstinate stains that defy all other remedies.

As in the case of Watson's Matchless Cleanser and Nubolic, even twenty Sparkla wrappers secure a prize at our great distribution (see last column). Note that by purchasing a 3d. packet, containing three tablets of Sparkla, you get four wrappers.

ACTIVITY AT WHITEHALL SOAP WORKS.

Over 220,000 Gifts, Worth at Least £62,500.

For many years past Joseph Watson and Sons, Limited, of the Whitehall Soap Works, Leeds, have been making an annual distribution of presents to users of their well-known soaps who save their wrappers. This year over 220,000 gifts, worth at least £62,500, will be distributed. Read the particulars given elsewhere on this page. In thousands of homes Watson's Matchless Cleanser (the all-round household soap), Nubolic (the health-preserving, disinfectant soap), and Sparkla (the wonderful polisher) have become indispensable household helpers—they are used "for themselves alone."

REMARKABLE ENTERPRISE.

Business Methods of To-day.

Messrs. Joseph Watson and Sons, Ltd., of Leeds, the firm in question, are so thoroughly convinced of the sterling qualities of their soaps that they want everybody to have the opportunity of testing them, and with this object in view are sparing neither pains nor expense. If you have already tried Watson's Soaps, you know well enough what they will do. If not, and you have any difficulty in obtaining them, just fill in the Coupon below, and post it to the Whitehall Soap Works at Leeds. Full size tablets of all three soaps, amounting to over 2lb. in weight, will be sent you free.

Think what such an offer entails, and imagine what must be the resources of a firm which is in a position to make it. It is made in your interest as well as theirs. Are you going to avail yourself of it? by and

Madam

Compared with Watson's Matchless Cleanser, the soap you use is either as good or not as good.

We know it is not better.

If it's as good, can you buy a full honest pound tablet of it for 3d.?

Then, pound for pound, will it do as much—will it go as far—as ours?

Do its users share 220,000 gifts?

Are you quite sure you're getting all that can be got for your money?

You know, thousands of others thought that a few weeks ago. But:—

Watson's Matchless Cleanser is helping them to-day!

Joseph Watson & Sons, Ltd.,
Whitehall Soap Works,
Leeds.

No home is complete without these three splendid soaps.

DIRECTIONS.

How To Get Watson's Prizes.

The gifts will be awarded for the highest number of wrappers sent in of any or all of the three soaps named to Whitehall Soap Works, Leeds, not later than June 30, 1906.

Each wrapper must be complete. Each parcel of wrappers received will count as one lot. Separate entries must be sent under separate covers. Where two or more parcels are received from the same household the company reserves the right of treating them as one parcel. Enclose the full name and address of the sender of each parcel, and pay full postage or carriage.

State the number of wrappers dispatched. Not less than 20 wrappers accepted. Our Employees are not allowed to compete.

Should any dispute arise the decision of Joseph Watson and Sons, Ltd., must be accepted as final.

THE WRAPPER SAVERS

Getting Busy.

The saving of wrappers belonging to Watson's Matchless Cleanser, Nubolic, and Sparkla is a highly profitable hobby. According to the number of wrappers you collect will be the value of the gift with which Joseph Watson and Sons, Limited, will present you. Remember a collection of even twenty wrappers secures you a prize. The list of gifts to be sent out shortly after 30 June, 1906, is given here. It will interest you. Over 220,000 gifts, valued at least at £62,500.

Over 220,000 gifts, worth at least £62,500.

	£ s. d.
5 Cash Prizes, value £20, £45, £40, £35, £30.....	200 0 0
2 Cash Prizes, value £25 each.....	50 0 0
3 Cash Prizes, value £20 each.....	60 0 0
40 Ladies' and Gent's Raleigh Cycles, with Sturmer-Archer three-speed gear, value £16 16s.....	672 0 0
100 Cases of Cutlery, value £10.....	1000 0 0
500 Jones' Sewing Machines (Treadle), value £8.....	4000 0 0
500 Jones' C.S. Hand Sewing Machines, value £6.....	3000 0 0
500 Jones' I.B. Hand Sewing Machines, value £4 10s.....	2250 0 0
500 Cases Electro Fish Knives and Forks, value £3.....	1500 0 0
500 Ladies' first-class Dressing Cases, value £2 2s.....	1050 0 0
500 Cases Electro Fish Knives and Forks, value 30s.....	750 0 0
0 Cases of Carvers, seven pieces, value 30s.....	750 0 0
0 Cases Electro Tea Services, value 30s.....	750 0 0
Electro Biscuit Boxes, value 15s.....	375 0 0
Electro Coffee Pots, value 17s. 6d.....	437 10 0
500 Cases Electro Tea Spoons and Tongs, value 10s. 6d.....	412 10 0
500 Pairs of Blankets, value 15s. 6d.....	387 10 0
Gentlemen's Umbrellas, value 15s.....	1500 0 0
Ladies' Umbrellas, value 15s.....	1500 0 0
Electro Teapots, value 13s. 6d.....	1350 0 0
00 Pairs of Blankets, value 12s. 6d.....	1250 0 0
2000 Pairs of Sheet Piles, value 12s. 6d.....	1350 0 0
Half-dozen Electro Table Forks, value 11s. 11d.....	1100 0 0
Choice White Counterpanes, value 10s. 6d.....	1050 0 0
Half-dozen Table Coverings, value 9s.....	800 0 0
Ladies' Dress Lengths, value 8s.....	1800 0 0
Ladies' Silk Shirts, value 8s. 11d.....	1783 6 8
Ladies' Navy Blue Serge Dress Lengths, value 7s. 6d.....	1500 0 0
00 Ladies' Umbrellas, value 7s. 6d.....	1500 0 0
0 Blankets, value 6s. 6d.....	1200 0 0
000 Cases, 2 Brushes, Comb, and Mirror, value 5s. 6d.....	1100 0 0
10000 Half-dozen Electro Tea Spoons, value 5s.....	2500 0 0
Pairs of Lace Curtains, value 3s.....	2812 10 0
20000 Ladies' Coloured Blouses, value 3s. 3d.....	2325 0 0
Half-dozen Ladies' Fine Cambric Handkerchiefs, value 2s. 6d.....	2500 0 0
20000 Needle Cases, value 2s.....	2000 0 0
33000 Half-dozen Tea Spoons, value 1s. 6d.....	1875 0 0
Over 26,000 other Prizes.	

THREE WORKERS.

If there was any shadow of doubt about the excellence of Watson's Matchless Cleanser, Nubolic, and Sparkla, if they could be made in any direction better value for your hard-earned money (and we have science, modern machinery, and money at our disposal), if, in short, these soaps were unworthy of your patronage, we, Joseph Watson and Sons, Ltd., should not risk half a century's reputation by offering them to you.

Test these soaps under all conditions: see what they can do for you towards brightening your home and lessening your work, and remember the other benefits which the wrappers bring. Then—if not before—we believe you will be convinced.

OVER 2lb. FREE!

Special Offer to Readers of the "Daily Mirror."

In order that every reader of the *Daily Mirror* may be able to obtain these three soaps, and have the opportunity of personally verifying our claims, we gladly make the following offer:—

If for any reason you cannot obtain Watson's Matchless Cleanser, Nubolic, and Sparkla in your own grocer, oilman, or store, fill in the attached coupon, giving name and address of same, together with your own, and we will send you full-sized tablets of all three soaps (over two pounds weight), absolutely free and post paid, for your trouble. But don't delay.

"Daily Mirror" Free Coupon.

To JOS. WATSON AND SONS, Ltd.,
Whitehall Soap Works, Leeds.
I am unable to obtain Watson's Matchless Cleanser, Nubolic, and Sparkla at (Name and Address of your regular Grocer, Oilman, or Store).....

Please send me, therefore, 3 full-size Tablets, as per your offer FREE.

Name.....
Address.....

* Place a mark against names of Soaps which you cannot obtain. Write plainly, and use 1d. stamp.

DEBATE ON THE ARMY ESTIMATES.

Mr. Haldane's Banner Is
Efficiency and Economy.

LADIES' COMMITTEE

Suggested as a Solution of the
Uniform Question.

What the public have realised for years—that the Army has been very much "reformed" by successive War Secretaries—was alluded to in forcible language by several members in the House of Commons yesterday.

On the Vote of £10,220,000 for Army pay at home and abroad, exclusive of India, Mr. Arthur Lee approved of the minor economies effected by the Secretary for War. As to the shortage of recruits, he believed this was due to the ridicule cast on the Army during recent years by Parliament, Press, and society. What the Army required was to be let alone for awhile.

Mr. Hobhouse remarked that the Army was humbugged about by successive Secretaries for War. He hoped they would now have a consistent policy regarding distribution, numbers, and terms of enlistment.

"I'd like to see the Army as well as the Navy removed from the arena of party politics," sighed Mr. Soares, the Anglo-Portuguese Radical. "But it won't be done in this world, though it may be in the next, where, of course, we Liberals will always be in a strong majority!" (Tremendous Liberal cheers, in the midst of which the Unionists somewhat doubtfully shook their heads and grinned.)

EFFICIENCY AND ECONOMY

Mr. Haldane made some light and interesting remarks in replying on the debate. His main points were:—

I have inscribed on my banner not only efficiency, but economy.
My friends need not grudge me the transient popularity I enjoy with hon. gentlemen opposite.

Next year I may see myself the most unpopular War Minister of recent times. ("That'll want doing," said Mr. Will Crooks.)

All an unfortunate Secretary can do is to hear both sides and then take his own way.

As at present advised, the linked battalion system is the most workable, and we should do well to pause before abolishing it.

I am not satisfied that the maintenance of a large garrison in South Africa is likely to conduce to harmony.

The Blue Water principle may be pushed too far.

The Militia must be brought nearer to the Regular Army, but the Regular Army must be brought nearer to the Militia as well.

HELP FROM THE LADIES.

A novel suggestion was made by Mr. Ashley, the Conservative member for Blackpool, and grandson of the seventh Earl of Shaftesbury, who has seen military service in the Grenadier Guards. He is anxious to increase the attractiveness and richness of the private's uniform.

"It really might not be a bad thing," he said, "to appoint a small committee to consider the question, and as ladies are supposed to have a very great idea of what is beautiful, perhaps the Secretary for War will nominate some ladies to consider the question. (Mr. Haldane, who is a bachelor, smiled.) Pled on knee, he proceeded to scribble rapidly.)

Mr. Ashley observed the War Minister. He drew encouragement from his busy pen.

"I'll go farther," he said. "Let the right hon. gentleman enlist the sympathies of some of the ladies who recently besieged the bedroom door of the Prime Minister!"

"Oh!" said members, evidently shocked, and the ladies giggled behind the grille.

After further discussion the House divided, and the Vote was agreed upon.

Mr. Haldane introduced the Army Annual Bill, but, on the motion of Mr. Wyndham, the debate was adjourned, and the House rose at 10.35.

"Do not write so many letters to members of Parliament," pleaded Mrs. Alden, wife of the M.P., at Harringay, yesterday. "The few hours they have at home are entirely taken up with their voluminous correspondence."

PRINCE'S FAREWELL INVESTITURE.

KARACHI, Monday.—By command of the King, the Prince of Wales to-day held an investiture on the conclusion of his visit to India, and conferred several honours, including that of the G.C.I.E. upon Sir Walter Lawrence.

Later the Prince and Princess left for Egypt on board the battleship Renown.—Reuter.

GERMAN ARROGANCE AT ALGERIRAS.

How the Kaiser's "Terrible" Count
Caused Trouble.

ALL WANT TO GO HOME.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

PARIS, Monday.—Telegrams from Algieras show how complete is the deadlock over the Morocco question. The cry of all the delegates, except the German, is to end the farce.

According to the "Petit Journal," Sir Arthur Nicolson, the British representative, declares that if the Conference does not come to an end this week he will leave Algieras. Herr von Radowicz, the German delegate, when informed of this, said he hoped to be able to reply in the most effective manner within forty-eight hours, and that the hope of arriving at an agreement must not be abandoned.

On all hands it is felt that Germany should either find an immediate solution or dissolve the Conference. The calling of the Conference is everywhere looked on as a grave blunder on the part of the Kaiser.

Meanwhile, says the correspondent of the "New York Herald," all the life seems to have gone out of the Hotel Reina Cristina, where the delegates are staying. The flocks of journalists have stopped buttonholing the delegates, and the delegates, instead of making discourses to the journalists on the prospects of the Conference, listen eagerly to the French journalists' opinions of the political situation in Paris and the tendencies of the new Ministers.

GERMAN DELEGATES' RUDENESS.

In fact the bottom, for the time being, has dropped out of the Conference.

The German delegates look about as happy as a chicken in a pond. They have been getting angrier and more grim day by day. The "terrible" Count Tattenbach has not adorned the German luncheon-table since the diplomatic fortunes of his party began to wane. He grew angry at the last meeting he had with calm-headed Revoil, the French representative.

"I have indicated (indiqué) the last word of Germany three times," he exclaimed in a voice full of exasperation.

"I am very sorry," replied the suave and gentlemanly M. Revoil, "I have no authority from my Government to yield further."

Somebody said that the word "indiqué," as spoken by the "terrible" Count Tattenbach, was not quite the word to use, not exactly courteous enough, more like the term a Judge might use to a criminal in the dock.

GERMANY'S WAR SCHOOL.

Costly and Intermittent Campaign in East Africa
Regarded as a Blessing in Disguise.

BERLIN, Monday.—The Reichstag to-day passed the third reading of the supplementary estimate for German East Africa, and another supplementary estimate of £1,530,000 for expenses in connection with the rising in German South-West Africa.

In reply to Herr Ledebour, Socialist, Colonel von Deimling said that the withdrawal of the troops was impossible. The Herero rising might be considered as quelled, and the same was true of Northern Hereroland, but if the garrison there, totaling 1,500 men, were weakened the rebellion would break out afresh. In the Southern Hottentot territories the revolt was still in full blaze.

Owing to the extent of the boundary line the British frontier guards could not prevent the enemy crossing into English territory and returning.

At present the troops were tied to their supply base on the Orange River, but even so the men were living from hand to mouth, as the English only allowed such quantities of provisions across the frontier as were absolutely necessary.

The insurrection had, however, this advantage for them, that it had shown the world that German soldiers still knew how to die for their Emperor and fatherland. This rising had furnished the army with an excellent war school. Let them, then, grant the credit.—Reuter.

THE POPE AND HIS SISTERS.

ROME, Monday.—To-day being the feast of St. Joseph, the name-day of the Pope, his Holiness celebrated Mass in the hall of the Consistory, at which about 200 persons were present.

The Pope's sisters were the first to be admitted to the presence of the Pontiff to present their greetings, and remained to breakfast with him.—Reuter.

MUTINEER SCHMIDT EXECUTED.

ST. PETERSBURG, Monday.—Lieutenant Schmidt, the leader of the Black Sea mutiny, has been executed, despite the petitions presented to the Tsar by Count Witte. The carrying out of the sentence has evoked a deep feeling everywhere.—Exchange.

"ONE MAN ONE VOTE."

Government's Decision to Make Sweeping
Electoral Changes.

The Daily Mirror is in a position to make an announcement of great political interest.

A definite assurance has just been informally given to certain Liberal members that a measure embodying the principle of "one man one vote" shall be passed into law, at all hazards, during the life of the present Government.

It is fully recognised that with the inevitable swing of the pendulum a few years hence the safety of many Liberal seats won by small majorities at the recent election will, under the present system of registration, be greatly jeopardised.

It is held, however, that when the names of the pluralists are removed from the registers—and the outworkers are mainly Unionists—the Liberal position will be enormously strengthened in these constituencies.

The question which naturally arises is what view the House of Lords would take of so sweeping a change in the electorate. The more moderate Liberal opinion is that the Upper House would reject such a Bill.

The more sanguine of the Liberal Ministers, however, incline to the belief that the present political temper of the country the Peers will be content to pass the principal Bills of the Government with verbal protest.

That, at any rate, is the view of a prominent Cabinet Minister, who, in discussing the situation with the writer, confidently added: "We're in for ten years!"

"THE BEAUTY OF BATH."

Mr. Seymour Hicks Scores Another Success at the
Aldwych Theatre.

Acting is what the public wants—not gorgeously-dressed young women and vivid young men with opera hats. "The Beauty of Bath" made this clear at the Aldwych Theatre last night.

The ordinary musical comedy elements went for very little. It was the story, and the clever performances of Mr. Seymour Hicks, Miss Rosina Filippi, Miss Sydney Fairbrother, and Master Valchera, which made the piece a success.

Even the Twelve Bath Buns fell rather flat, though they pranced and ogled for all they were worth. The music did not give them much chance, it is true. There is nothing striking in it, though Miss Ellaline Terriss's songs are, of course, daintily sung.

It is she who is the Beauty, and she falls in love with a young man, who she thinks is an actor, but who is really—Mr. Seymour Hicks! Like of the fun depends upon his being very like Mr. Stanley Brett, but they are really not like one another a bit. Still, it is funny enough without the resemblance.

MAKING TROUBLE AT SHANGHAI.

Deliberate Attempts to Foment the Passions of the
"Anti-Foreigners."

The native papers of Shanghai, says the "Times" correspondent, published a picture of the Nan-chang magistrate's head after death, displaying ghastly wounds.

Their action, which was evidently prearranged, points to an organised and deliberate attempt to stimulate the passions of the people against foreigners.

The increasing hostility of the vernacular Press and its unconcealed desire to create trouble are regarded with complaisance by the Chinese officials.

MIDNIGHT TELEGRAMS.

Duke Constantine of Oldenburg died at Nice on Sunday evening, aged fifty-six.

The body of an aged man, believed to belong to Turbridge Wells, was washed ashore at Eastbourne last night.

Sixteen thousand workmen have revolted in the Kharkoff district, says a St. Petersburg message, and troops have been hurriedly sent.

The force sent against the rebels in Northern Nigeria has captured the town of Burutu, and almost annihilated the enemy. The British loss was slight.—Reuter.

A message from Silverton, Colorado, states that an avalanche of snow from King Solomon Mountain has killed twelve workmen in the Shenandoah Mine at its base, and damage estimated at £1,000 has been done.

TO-DAY'S WEATHER.

Our special weather forecast for to-day is:—Northerly and north-easterly winds, squally at times; changeable, showers of snow or sleet, with sunny nights; continuing cold; slight frost morning and night.

Lighting-up time, 7.10 p.m.
Sea passages will be rather rough to moderate.

SOUTH AFRICA AND LORD MILNER.

Intense Bitterness Over the Liberal
Motion of Censure.

"BLACK INGRATITUDE."

JOHANNESBURG, Monday.—Mr. Byles's motion of censure upon Lord Milner has caused a strong feeling of resentment here.

Astonishment is expressed that such a step should be possible in England after Lord Milner's great efforts for South Africa's good. Interviews with political leaders of all sections, including opponents of Chinese labour, show that it is no exaggeration to say that a feeling of intense bitterness and disgust prevails.

The general sentiment was fairly expressed by one of those interviewed, who said that the least that might have been expected was an appreciation of Lord Milner's unremitting anxiety for the welfare of South Africa, whereas it would seem that political efforts at home were being largely directed to the belittlement of his work.

LUST OF PARTY GAIN.

The "Leader" says: "We are ashamed of the petty spite, black ingratitude, and sordid lust of party gain underlying this shameful manoeuvre. Nowadays great service seems to be a ground for vile abuse and malicious attack." The motion, it concludes, has been received with indignation and disgust.

The Rand Daily Mail says: The motion is a cowardly and hypocritical attempt to discredit a man whose life was devoted to his country. Whatever the result of the debate South Africans will remain the same. They will never forget all Lord Milner has done for the interests of the Empire."—Reuter.

DETERMINED STRIKERS AT LENS.

First Fighting in the Streets and Attack on
Overseer's House.

LENS, Monday.—Everything is at a standstill at Douges, Drocourt, and Carvin. The actual number of strikers is at present 46,000, while there are 7,000 men still at work.

A crowd of from 200 to 1,500 strikers assembled outside the Mining Bureau at Lens to-day and prevented the men who are still at work from entering the building.

There was some fighting, and stones were thrown. The gendarmes ultimately appeared and dispersed the demonstrators.

The house of an overseer at Hersin-Coupigny has been attacked by strikers, who smashed the windows.

The miners are refusing all concessions from their employers, and it is believed that the congress of miners to-morrow will refuse them.—Reuter.

Upwards of £300 has been subscribed since Thursday to the parliamentary fund opened for the relief of the relatives and friends of those killed in the Courrières disaster.

MORE HOSTILITY IN THE SOUDAN.

Activity of a Nigerian Emir Necessitates Another
British Expedition.

A fresh British expedition has become necessary in Northern Nigeria, says Reuter, owing to the hostility of the powerful Emir of Hadejia.

This potentate is now the most formidable power in the Central Sudan, and has his headquarters in a strongly-fortified town in the newly-formed province of Katatum.

His fighting men are renowned for their bravery, and he has already displayed open insolence toward the British, although, on the arrival of a force of 500 men, he changed his attitude.

A renewal of his hostility, however, has been experienced, and a strong expedition will concentrate at Kano, six days' march from Hadejia, with the intention of opening operations against him should he not retreat from his present attitude.

FRENCH OFFICERS SENT TO PRISON.

RENNES, Monday.—Major Hery, Captain Langavant, and Captain Spiral, who refused to help the civil authorities in taking the church inventories at St. Servan, appeared to-day before the Rennes court-martial.

Major Hery was sentenced to one month's imprisonment, and the two captains to one day's imprisonment, with right of appeal.—Reuter.

PRINCESS ENA AT MASS.

Princess Ena of Battenberg attended Mass yesterday—the first celebration she has been present at in England—at St. Michael's Benedictine Convent, East Cotes.

CHEAPER SHAVING FOR NEW M.P.s.

Irish Whip Raises the Question of
Hairdressers' Fees.

THE LATEST REFORM.

Some of the members of the new Parliament think that a shilling for haircutting and shampoing for shaving at the House of Commons is excessive. To-day, therefore, Mr. Patrick O'Brien, the Irish Whip, will ask the First Commissioner of Works "whether he is aware that the members of the House consider that the charges in the hair-dressing department are too high, and whether he can do anything to reduce them."

Hon. members will be met with the gratifying assurance that these prices are at once to be reduced, and that in future they may be shaved for threepence, or have their hair cut for sixpence. "We are not at all averse to reducing our charges," said Mr. E. Slater to the *Daily Mirror* yesterday, "because we hope that by doing so we shall receive more custom from honourable members than we do at present."

Porpoxities of the Hairdressers.

Messrs. Slater Brothers (Mr. E. and Mr. A. W. Slater), of Jermyn-street, it should be explained, have held the appointment of hairdressers and barbers to the House for the last twelve or thirteen years.

"Mr. L. V. Harcourt, First Commissioner of Works, has intimated privately to me that our charges are considered too high by some members, and I at once suggested we should reduce them by half."

"Now that the House adjourns from 7.30 until nine o'clock each night for dinner," said Mr. Slater, "we don't get half the custom that we used to do when members got their meals anyhow. Most of them now rush away from the House the moment they can."

CINDERELLA OF THE SERVICE.

It is understood not to be the intention of the Labour Party to run a candidate of their own at Leicester.

With regard to the statement made in the House of Commons by Mr. Gladstone that the Government had no information respecting the allegation by the Hon. Walter Rothschild that Russian refugees, who had been refused admission in England, had been shot on their return, the Home Secretary did not desire to divulge the source of his information.

In the House of Lords, Viscount Hardinge complained that the War Office looked upon the Militia as the "Cinderella of the Service." He believed the present deficiency amounted to about 1,045 officers and 36,000 men.

Replying to Mr. J. W. H. Thompson in the House of Commons last night, Mr. Gladstone explained that eighteen was the statutory age limit for women in dangerous performances, and the police could not interfere in such cases as *Stamirovski v. Barker*—the "lopping the loop" case—in which a lady, who got £250 damages for injury, was over eighteen.

DRAWING-ROOM SCHOOLS.

A deputation from the Private Schools' Association waited upon Mr. Augustine Birrell yesterday urging that their interests should be safeguarded in the forthcoming Education Bill.

Mr. Birrell said that to a great extent he sympathised with their views.

A very good school might be carried on in a back drawing-room, and while the school itself was of an excellent character the place might excite criticism. Reference had been made to Milton's school that he carried on in the City of London.

Mr. Birrell thought we had no information to show that he educated more than his two nephews, and we knew very little about it excepting that he beat them so severely that their cries were heard by the neighbours. (Laughter.)

He supposed that at the present day a school in a semi-detached villa would hardly pass muster, though with a good master it might be a very sound seat of learning.

BOOKING SEATS BY THE "CARD."

"Is it right," asked Mr. Soares, plaintively of the Speaker yesterday, "that members should come down to the House, put a card on a seat, and go away until practising, when the rules say that no card remain in the precincts of the House?"

"It ought to be known," replied the Speaker with smiling solemnity, "that members who take seats before prayers ought not to leave the precincts of the House."

Mr. Balfour returned to town yesterday from Leighton Buzzard, where he had been on a visit to Mr. Leopold Rothschild, and Mr. and Mrs. Chamberlain, with Lord and Lady Ribblesdale, arrived in London from Tring Park, where they had been visiting Lord and Lady Rothschild.

£10,000 A YEAR LOST.

Lady Maple Remarries and Sacrifices Half
of Her Annuity of £20,000.

News has just reached London that the much-discussed marriage of Lady Maple, widow of the late Sir John Blundell Maple, to Mr. Montagu Ballard, was solemnised at Beaulieu yesterday.

The ceremony was conducted by the Rev. John Clayton, the British chaplain at St. Michael's Church, and was of a strictly private character. At the British Consulate the chief portion of the marriage was performed by the Consul.

Mr. and Mrs. Montagu Ballard are going East for their honeymoon, and are likely to spend a considerable time in Egypt.

A special element of romance attaches to the match, in view of the fact that by her remarriage Mrs. Ballard loses half of the £20,000 annuity bequeathed her by her late husband, who also left her a lump sum of £10,000.

The happy bridegroom is chairman of the Royal Brewery at Brentford, and he owns a beautiful Kentish estate at Tovil, near Maidstone.

RIVAL ALDWYCH "PALACE" SCHEMES.

Prospects of Vehement Discussion Before the L.C.C.
Makes a Decision To-day.

Considerable discussion is likely to take place at the meeting of the London County Council to-day, when a committee's recommendation that the Aldwych "island site" be leased to a company for the erection of a great pleasure place at the cost of half a million will come up.

The promoters of the scheme are carrying out the general idea of providing a "Paris in London," of which so much has been heard, and it appears that the promoters of a rival scheme on the same lines feel that they have been forestalled, and will endeavour to have attention directed to their proposals.

MR. ASQUITH'S PLEA FOR EAST LONDON.

"Price of a Derby Winner" Would Enormously
Enhance the Efficacy of Church Workers.

Speaking at a crowded meeting of the East London Church Fund yesterday, in the Mansion House, Mr. Asquith, who has recently taken to quoting Shakespeare, said his position on the platform reminded him of the stage direction in "Richard III." "Enter Gloucester, aloft, between two Bishops."

With reference to the income of the fund, which was £20,000, he asked: What was £20,000? The price of a Derby winner; rather less than half the price of a famous picture; about the tenth part of the price of an armoured cruiser.

It was a reproach to the zeal and the generosity of the Church of England in London that her contributions to a cause like this should be so limited.

If there was a call addressed to the intelligence and the consciences of a great community it was a call to help this fund in the East End of London.

PRIEST RULE IN IRELAND.

Sir Edward Carson Makes a Sharp Rejoinder to
Lord Dudley.

There is some very plain speaking in a letter addressed by Sir Edward Carson to Lord Dudley, regarding correspondence which previously passed between them concerning the governing of Ireland through the Catholic priesthood.

Lord Dudley having denied that he said this was the only way to make a happy Ireland, Sir Edward writes:—

"May I remind you of our conversation when I protested shortly before the debate in the House of Commons in 1904 against the dismissal of Constable Anderson (a Protestant) from the Royal Irish Constabulary at the suggestion and upon the interference of a Catholic priest—a dismissal which it was too tardily admitted was entirely unjustifiable?"

"I have a most distinct and painful recollection of your apology for what was done in the statement which you now challenge. I am not going to discuss with you 'the violence' of my opinions, as your view of them troubles me but little. I should only like to say that they are not likely to be mitigated by treachery."

VICEROY AND BOY COMPOSER.

Max Dareski, the ten-year-old composer, was again yesterday presented with an emerald and pearl scarf-pin by the Earl of Aberdeen, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, and a large box of chocolates by Lady Aberdeen.

HEAVY POST-OFFICE LOSSES.

According to an official return issued last night, £4,839,458 18s. 5½d. was the expenditure in respect of Post Office telegraph and telephone services during the year ending March, 1905. The receipts amounted to £3,851,720 10s., showing a loss of over £987,738 upon the year's working.

VISCOUNT HAYASHI

Goes Home to Japan After Six
Years in England.

SIX MONTHS' HOLIDAY.

For nearly the whole of yesterday Viscount Hayashi was up to his ears in documents.

When he rose in the morning he thought he had entered upon the last working day he would experience for months, and so he entered upon his duties with even more enthusiasm than usual, in the hope that his labours would be finished in time for him to catch the afternoon train for Southampton on his way home to Japan.

But he was doomed to disappointment. The work of preparing things for his deputy could not be finished in time, and so, at the last moment, his departure had to be postponed until to-day.

Busy as he was yesterday, however, the Japanese Ambassador found time to see a *Daily Mirror* representative at the Embassy in Grosvenor-gardens, and to pose specially for the photograph which is published on our front page this morning.

"I am going home for six months," said the courteous diplomat. "I have six months' clear holiday altogether apart from the time I shall spend in going home and in returning."

"Back in the Autumn."

"I have now been in England for six years, and much as I enjoy life in this country, I am naturally glad to have the chance of seeing home again. It is the first holiday of the kind I have had since I came. So far as I know, I shall be back in the autumn."

On his return the Ambassador will be accompanied by Viscountess Hayashi, who had to leave for Tokio some months ago because of her health. The fact that the war was then creating a great deal of extra work for the Embassy in England made it impossible for the Ambassador to accompany her, but he has now taken the first opportunity of joining her.

During the Viscount's absence from England the care of Japanese interests in this country will be entrusted to Count Mutsu, who has been connected with the Embassy for some time. Count Mutsu will have the assistance of Mr. Koike, who has had a wide experience in the diplomatic service in this country and elsewhere.

CHILDREN WITH BRITTLE BONES.

Father's Novel and Bewildering Protest Against
Sending His Sons to School.

Appearing once more at the Blackpool Police Court yesterday on a summons for not providing his children with sufficient education, Hedley Overeised raised a most remarkable defence.

He said he could not send his two children, aged five and seven, to school, as their bones were so brittle that they snapped under the least blow. There were, he added, only five such cases in the country.

The other observed that the elder boy had broken his thigh seven times. The younger child had four times met with a similar accident. A Liverpool doctor had told him the only thing to do was to keep the children in the open air for twelve hours a day.

He was arranging for securing the services of a governess to educate them on the sands. The case was adjourned for the production of medical evidence.

ANTHRAX CAUGHT BY HAND-SHAKE.

Bradford Coroner Suggests an Extraordinary Risk
That May Be Run by Wool-workers.

"The most mysterious case I have ever had before me," observed the Bradford Coroner yesterday at an inquest on Beatrice Spencer, a seventeen-year-old girl employed at the Black Dike Mills, Queensbury, as a spinner.

The girl died of anthrax, but the coroner pointed out that before she handled the mohair, on which she worked at the mill, it had been washed, "back-washed," and had undergone other processes, which were supposed to have made it absolutely clean.

He suggested that the girl might have contracted the disease by shaking hands with someone engaged in opening the mohair on its arrival from abroad.

In returning a verdict of death from the disease, the jury intimated that all precautions had been observed.

TELEPHONE FOR THIN PEOPLE.

A telephone for thin—very thin—people is installed at the Oxford Circus Station of the Waterloo and Baker-street Railway. The door opens inwards instead of outwards, and an ordinary-sized man has some difficulty in shutting it and getting at the instrument.

THE GERMAN MENACE.

Great Strides and Big Profits of the
Hamburg-American Line.

The annual report of the Hamburg-American Line contains much instructive reading in regard to the rapid strides being made in Germany's seagoing commerce.

That a German firm should have established itself as foremost in the shipping world is not very palatable reading for Britishers. But the fact cannot be disputed.

Neither the Cunard nor the P. and O. ever presented an annual report showing such profits or such progress as the Hamburg-American can boast.

The most the P. and O. ever paid its shareholders is 10 per cent., the Cunard 4 per cent., while the Hamburg-American pays 11 per cent., on a capital of £3,000,000.

In 1886 the entire tonnage of this company's fleet was 65,237, and at the end of December last this had increased to 811,943, representing 157 ocean steamers and 192 river steamers, tugs, and lighters.

So that the tonnage has increased by more than twelve times its original amount during the last twenty years.

The balance-sheet shows a gross profit of £1,888,000, and after depreciation, payment of interest on preference loans, etc., there is a net balance of £350,000, which permits the payment of a dividend of 11 per cent. on the share capital of £5,000,000.

During the past year this company's assets were considerably improved by the increase of the fleet and the acquisition of ground property. The result has been an increase in the gross profit of £400,414.

Consequently, it is possible to increase the dividend by 2 per cent. as compared with that paid in 1904.

During the year 1,256 circular voyages were made by the company's steamers, and 333,386 passengers were carried, as well as 5,804,798 tons of cargo.

ZION CITY'S NEED OF FUNDS.

Desperate Appeal to the Faithful To Save the Com-
munity from Moneylenders.

Affairs are in a parlous state in Zion City, where the faithful have not for a considerable time seen their leader, "Dr." Dowie.

Overseer Voliva has called upon the residents to provide the £50,000 required to put the leading industries on a paying basis, and so save the community from the moneylender.

He has called upon ministers to give up their salaries; he asked clerks and labourers to work for 1s. a week, and upbraided those who wore jewellery and gaudy clothes.

"Accept in pay just enough to provide for living expenses," is his urgent request. He declares he is willing to live on one shilling a week if it is possible to keep soul and body together on that amount.

PROFITS ON DRESS.

Paquin, Limited, Make £102,000 and D. H. Evans and
Company £155,000 a Year.

Ladies, and possibly their husbands, will be interested in the annual report presented yesterday to the shareholders of Paquin, Limited, in the Cannon-street Hotel.

The first year's record has been a marvellous one of success. In 1904 their profits, announced the chairman, were £81,000. For 1905, the profits were £102,000, an increase of £21,000.

For seven years they had paid 10 per cent.; last year they paid 13 per cent.; this year they would pay 15 per cent.

In Paris Paquin's employ close on 1,000 work-people, and in the London home in Dover-street they have about 300 women and men at work.

The prosperity of the modiste's business was further illustrated yesterday at the meeting of D. H. Evans and Co., when a total dividend of 22½ per cent. for the year was announced, the profits on the year's trading being £155,072.

SWEATING IN CHARITABLE LAUNDRIES.

The long hours usual in conventual and other charity laundries formed the subject of a woman's deputation to Mr. Herbert Gladstone yesterday.

The ladies, who represented the Scottish Council of Women's Trades and the Scottish Women's Industrial Union also complained of the excessive employment of child labour in such laundries. Mr. Gladstone was sympathetic, but would not promise immediate legislation.

HUSBAND DISCOVERS TRIPLE TRAGEDY.

On returning to his home at Barton-on-Humber yesterday, William Marshall was surprised to find the house locked up.

He forced an entrance, and found his wife hanging dead from a hook in the kitchen. Upstairs he discovered the dead bodies of his two young sons. No explanation of the tragedy is forthcoming.

FURNITURE CASE SETTLED.

"Liberal Compensation" for the Three Misses Jewell.

HAPPY ENDING.

Just as in an old-fashioned play, "all has come right at the end" in the Oetzmann case.

The aforesaid end arrived with unexpected suddenness yesterday. Before the hour of reassembling—eleven o'clock—it had appeared likely that the case would go on for at least another week. Twenty-six witnesses for the defence remained to be called and cross-examined, and long final speeches were expected from counsel.

But at eleven there were some very significant features connected with the scene in King's Bench Court II., to which the case, in the course of its migrations, had been transferred.

The court was packed very nearly as full as it has been on every day of the fortnight over which the trial has extended. There were, however, some seats vacant.

The Judge was not in his place, and the seats of Mr. Lush, K.C., Mr. Acland, K.C., Mr. Dickens, K.C., and their juniors were not occupied.

Putting two and two together, the audience deduced that there were conferences afoot. His Lordship had seen counsel, it was said, and counsel in their turn were endeavouring to bring about an arrangement.

LONG ORdeal Over.

After a long period of waiting the three sisters Jewell—Miss Jennie, Miss Annie, and Miss Ellen—were sent for. Headed by the energetic Miss Ellen they trooped out of court.

When they returned half an hour later, their faces showed that something very nice and satisfactory had happened. The Misses Jewell were all smiles.

Mr. Dickens, too, smiled as he took his seat. He smiled at the jury, and his address to them was: "This the jury knew could only mean one thing—that the long ordeal was over at last. Then the jury also smiled."

With a happy wave of his hand, Mr. Dickens beckoned away the clerk who offered him an enormous pile of documents.

After this Mr. Justice Bucknill took his seat, and Mr. Acland, K.C., in the absence of Mr. Lush, rose to give to the Court a public announcement of what had happened as far as it was to be divulged.

"I am happy to say," he began, "that your Lordship and the jury will not be further troubled with this case. Messrs. Oetzmann have offered adequate compensation to the ladies for the grievances they have undoubtedly suffered, and the ladies have agreed to accept this offer."

"Liberal compensation" was the term that Mr. Dickens used when his turn came. He said that he wished to make it clear that this liberal compensation was in respect of the fact that certain goods were removed to which the defendants were not entitled.

Allegations of Fraud Repudiated.

The allegations of fraud Messrs. Oetzmann had always repudiated, and repudiated still.

"I suppose," said the Judge, "that the less I say about the case the better."

His Lordship then pointed out the outstanding features of the agreement as he understood them.

1. That the defendants had admitted all along that the ladies were entitled to some compensation for certain things that had happened at the seizure.

2. That Messrs. Oetzmann still repudiated the suggestion that their dealings had been in any way fraudulent.

There was one thing which his Lordship said he would like to add. Those who did business on the hire-purchase system—members of the firm in general and not Messrs. Oetzmann in particular—should take care in dealing with people like the plaintiffs to make the meaning of agreements perfectly clear.

What Was the Compensation?

Another little matter, too, the Judge touched on—the fact that the case began in King's Bench Court IX., was continued in King's Bench Court III., and ended in King's Bench Court II. It was one of the mysteries of the building, his Lordship remarked, the way in which a Judge, unless he was old, was moved about from court to court.

"But if I don't grumble," his Lordship concluded merrily, "I am sure you will not."

Before the Court broke up the Judge gave each of the jurymen seven years' exemption from service.

Miss Ellen Jewell, who was the most prominent personality in the case, interviewed on leaving the court, said Messrs. Oetzmann offered the sisters £2,000 on Saturday, but they would not accept that. The final offer, which was agreed to, was a little higher, but not so much as some people thought.

The counsel's costs alone are said to amount to over £1,000.

ON A DYNAMITE SHIP.

Thrilling Stories of Japanese Attacks and the Blowing-up of the Carlisle.

Members of the crew of the gun-runner Carlisle have reached this country, and are telling the wonderful story of the voyages which came to an end with the blowing up of the vessel with dynamite and shells worth £1,000,000 on board at Saigon—surely as eventful as those of any ship that ever sailed.

They give graphic accounts of the repeated attempts made by the Japanese to sink the ship while she was lying at Manila, where she had been brought for repairs.

On the first attempt a Japanese fishing boat crept up in the dusk unobserved until close at hand, when the Customs inspector fired several shots, and the boat disappeared, derisive laughter coming from her.

An hour or two later, in the darkness, another boat came so close as to allow the man on the watch to grasp her mast, while two men emptied their revolvers into the craft. Then she went off, leaving those on board trembling at the thought that any minute they might be blown up by a bomb or time-mine behind.

At midnight another attempt was made, but upon being sighted by the now thoroughly frightened crew the boat drew off. Again, at two o'clock in the morning, a fourth fisherman rowed up very quietly alongside, and was close to the vessel several minutes before he was discovered and driven off.

The final explosion came with dramatic suddenness, after two previous alarms.

"I was at the forecastle head, playing a guitar, and a coloured man was lying asleep near me," says one of the crew, "when suddenly Charlie Rowe sang out: 'The ship's on fire again.'"

"We saw there was not a minute to be lost, and most of those on the deck jumped into the water. Two others and myself got the lifeboat out, but we had not time to lower it. A Chilian in the boat, who wanted to cut away at once, made a slash at the rope, which gave way suddenly. The knife caught a donkeyman in the shoulder."

"What happened to the sleeping man I never knew. Mr. Laing, the second engineer, who also lost his life, was in his bunk at the time."

"The rest of us got ashore all right."

"PROPERTY IN NEWS."

Chancery Judge Declares That a Press Agency Has a Serious Case To Answer.

The defence was opened yesterday in the Chancery Division in the interesting "Property in News" case.

The Exchange Telegraph Company are seeking for an injunction to restrain the London and Manchester Press Agency from communicating to other persons news supplied by the plaintiff company.

The case alleged that the defendants issued to their clients information they received from the company.

On behalf of the defendants, Mr. Hume Williams submitted that the evidence failed to establish the case upon which the Court could act.

The allegation was practically that his clients had committed a theft, but no Judge, on the evidence, would allow a jury to convict.

Judge: Will you please remember I am not a judge. You may take it from me that you have a serious case to answer.

Hearing adjourned.

PRAYER TO MURDERED CHILD.

Condemned Father's Pathetic Letter to His Wife—Movement for a Reprieve.

Efforts are being made to secure a reprieve for the man McNamee, who lies under sentence of death in Knutsford Gaol for the murder of his child, Dolly.

To his wife the condemned man has written a most pathetic letter, begging her to come and see him before he meets the doom which, he declares, he is fully prepared to face.

"I am sorry," he writes, "to have lived to have brought disgrace on you, dear wife, and my children, and my own family, and more so to have done such a cowardly crime as I have done."

He begs his wife to keep the other children "in the dark" as to the crime, and to bring them up in a religious way. "I prayed to Dolly" (the murdered child), he adds, "and asked her to forgive me, and God answered my prayer."

GIRL'S SUICIDE IN A SUMMER-HOUSE.

Worried by her mother's illness, a Horncastle girl took poison and died in a summer-house adjoining her home.

In her farewell letter, read at yesterday's inquest, she wrote: "Don't think I am mad. I am only a great failure and best out of the run." Suicide during temporary insanity was the verdict.

BEHIND THE SCENES.

Theatrical Manager Sues a Labour Councillor for Slander.

WAS ATTACK PRIVILEGED?

A slander case of singular interest was opened in Mr. Justice Grantham's court in the King's Bench Division yesterday.

Mr. J. Pitt Hardacre, who is very well known as an actor and a theatrical manager, is seeking damages from Mr. Joseph Beaver Williams, a Labour member of the Manchester City Council, in respect of a speech in which Mr. Williams is alleged to have slandered Mr. Hardacre in reference to his conduct of the Comedy Theatre, Manchester.

The defendant was once second clarinet-player at this house of entertainment while Mr. Hardacre was lessee.

According to the opening statement of Mr. S. T. Evans, K.C., Mr. Williams, in a speech made at a meeting of the Manchester City Council, in April, 1905, averred that among the musicians the Comedy Theatre was known as the Harem.

Point of Privilege.

The allegation was made on a report to the council regarding the theatre, and in response to a speech by another member, who said he had often been behind the scenes and had seen nothing wrong.

A position on a public body, said Mr. Evans, gave an opportunity to men to say things which they could not safely say outside. His Lordship would no doubt rule that the occasion was privileged, but fortunately for the public everything that was said upon a privileged occasion did not exonerate the defendant from the consequences of slander if the privilege was exceeded.

From 1890 until 1903 Mr. Hardacre was the proprietor of the Comedy. In 1899 a new chief constable was appointed, and the licence attached to the bar was taken away.

Further attacks were made on the theatre, and in March, 1903, the theatre lost its licence. Mr. Hardacre left Manchester and went to Staines.

Raked Up Past History.

What Mr. Williams had done was to rake up what was past history, and his statements practically imputed to the late lessee a criminal offence.

Mr. Hardacre, who gave evidence, said that, when written to about the speech, Mr. Williams replied that he had a good plea of privilege, and that threats of proceedings would not muzzle him.

In cross-examination by Mr. Shee he confessed that they were "all very jolly" on the last night of the pantomime, but the police had said he was sober.

Mr. Shee: The police don't get drunk at Manchester?—Oh, don't they!

Asked about one of his witnesses at an inquiry in Manchester who went over to the other side and swore to certain incidents in the theatre, Mr. Hardacre said he absolutely suggested that this witness had been bribed. The case was adjourned.

NEW ENGLISH MUSIC-HALL FEATURE.

"Revue" Containing Brightest of Foreign Ideas, but with a London "Atmosphere."

A "premiere danseuse," a Covent Garden star, and a band of French pantomimists on the stage together is the uncommon spectacle Londoners will soon have the opportunity of seeing at the Coliseum, where a "revue" by M. de Cottens, well-known for his productions at the Folies Bergères and the Chatelet, in Paris, will be produced.

The cast is to include Mme. Alice Esty, of Grand Opera fame; Signora Vittorino, the daughter of the King of Italy's favourite "danseuse"; Tom E. Murray, who is to be the "compre," or leading comedian, of the "revue"; and Miss Godwynne Earle, who will fulfil the duties of the "comrière," or chief comedienne.

Then 300 girls will appear in the parrot and electric ballets. In the former they will be garbed as "pretty Polles," while in the latter their dresses will be one mass of tiny electric lights.

"It is an attempt to mirror all that is best in the best cities," said M. de Cottens to the *Daily Mirror* yesterday—"an air from the Paris boulevards, a skit from a Vienna music-hall, a laugh from Berlin, and a general atmosphere of London."

LORD SELBORNE'S HOME READY.

Lord Selborne, it is stated, has given specific instructions that his residence in Hampshire shall be kept in a state which will admit of immediate occupancy.

Much comment has been excited by this statement, as it seems to indicate that his lordship may return to England at no distant date.

It was related of a man at Southend yesterday that, after committing damage at a public-house, he jumped into the sea and kept the police at bay for three-quarters of an hour. He was ultimately captured in the presence of a large crowd.

SCHOOLGIRL'S RING.

Expelled by Headmaster for Insisting on Wearing the Trinket in Class.

A few days ago Mr. Birrell, President of the Board of Education, said that he could not interfere in the case in which a pupil teacher was dismissed because she insisted on wearing her engagement-ring in school hours. It is not likely that he will be asked to adjudicate in the case in which Miss Peggy Williams, a scholar at the Holyhead County School, has been expelled because she also insisted on wearing a ring.

Miss Williams is the daughter of the Rev. John Williams, and, as in the other case, wore the ring with the consent of her parent. But the headmaster recently made a rule that in school no girl should wear a ring, and called on Miss Peggy Williams to comply with this regulation. Saying that her father allowed her to wear the ring, the scholar refused to take it off, whereupon the headmaster said that if she came to school wearing the ring again he would have to suspend her.

After some correspondence the girl's father withdrew his daughter from the school; but the headmaster, taking no notice of this, formally expelled her.

The Rev. John Williams complained of this proceeding to the governors of the school, and after a private meeting the headmaster was reprimanded by the governors, who said that they would be glad if he could arrive at an amicable settlement of the matter before the next meeting.

"DAILY MIRROR" TRIP TO PARIS.

Only Way To Secure Cheap Tickets Now Is To Telegraph to Our Office.

To-day is the last day on which tickets for the *Daily Mirror* Paris excursion can be booked, and now it can only be done by calling this morning at our office in Whitefriars-street, or by telegraphing the money in payment of the fare.

As there is no time to send tickets by post, people who telegraph for them must call for their tickets at the office to-morrow on their way to the station.

The party will leave Victoria to-morrow by the 2.20 p.m. train, and will arrive in Paris at 10.15 the same night.

On Friday they may return to London by either the 2.40 p.m. via Boulogne, which comes into Victoria at 10.45 in the evening, or the 8.40 p.m. via Calais, which arrives at 5.35 a.m. The tickets are available for a fortnight.

The tickets are £3 second-class and hotel accommodation during the stay in France, and £4 5s. for the best accommodation possible and first-class travelling.

WOMAN IN BOY'S ATTIRE.

Lady Who Leads an Agricultural Life in Masculine Dress an Interesting Witness.

There appeared in the witness-box at the Bromley (Kent) Police Court yesterday a witness who was dressed as a boy.

It was divulged, however, that she was a young woman in male attire, who is very well known in the locality.

She wore a man's overcoat, trousers, leggings, and brown boots, but over the trousers was a short skirt.

She is employed as a farm manageress in the district, and is generally known as "The Lady Farmer."

By the farm hands she is called "Jack." She is exceedingly fond of outdoor pursuits, and apparently leads a thoroughly healthy life. A photograph of "Jack" appeared some months ago in the *Daily Mirror*.

RACEHORSE OWNER'S DISPUTED WILL.

Sir Gorell Barnes Decides That Mr. William Mackay Low Was an Englishman.

Sir Gorell Barnes yesterday granted probate of the will of the late Mr. William Mackay Low, the well-known racehorse owner, who died last year.

Mr. Low had large estates in America and England, and was educated at Winchester and Oxford. There was some question as to his domicile, but Sir Gorell Barnes decided that Mr. Low was an Englishman, and pronounced for the will.

Mr. Duke, K.C., stated that the parties had come to terms. A Mrs. Bateman was the residuary legatee after certain charges had been made for the benefit of the wife and other relatives. There had been charges of undue influence, but these were now withdrawn.

FROM THE QUEEN TO A CENTENARIAN.

At her home, near Belfast yesterday, the death occurred of Dr. Ellen Millar, in her 102nd year.

When she celebrated her 100th birthday, two years ago, the old lady received a congratulatory telegram from Queen Alexandra. On the same day Dame Millar gave a party of direct descendants, numbering exactly 100 people.

dining-room; from 30s. weekly; illustrated booklet.—Proprietress.

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THE HIRE-PURCHASE CASE.

IT is difficult for the ordinary mind, which takes a common-sense and not a legal view of things, to understand why the action against Oetzmann's, the furniture people, which was settled yesterday, could not have been settled before it had taken up ten days of Law Court time.

The Chinese only pay their doctors while they are well. As soon as they fall ill, they cease paying and do not start again until they have recovered. If we paid Judges, and Law Court officials generally, only while they were resting for lack of work, they would take care that cases did not take up an excessive amount of time.

As our system stands, it is nobody's business to prevent waste of time. It is, on the other hand, to the advantage of many people—solicitors and counsel, to wit—to encourage it. A man who is receiving a large sum per day would be of a probity more than human if he were anxious to cut proceedings short.

Perhaps it is our lawyers whom we ought to pay upon the Chinese plan, except during such time as we are engaged in litigation. If lawyers made their living by avoiding lawsuits instead of conducting them, the number of cases brought into court would show an amazing shrinkage. Probably we could afford to cut down our Judges by at least half.

The only reason for congratulating ourselves on the ten days' hearing of this strange action is that it ought to make everyone more careful about buying goods upon the hire-purchase plan. There are many firms doing business on these lines against whom no word has ever been spoken. But the system clearly opens the door to abuses, and it is a gain to the public to know what they have to guard against.

Whether it is better to content oneself with buying what one can pay for, or to pledge one's credit a long way ahead, is an open question. We have most of us heard the hire-purchase system reviled by people who have been persuaded to take something they did not really want and who are thrown into a passion of resentment every time the date for instalment-paying comes round.

Such people, however, are scarcely fair witnesses. They have been manoeuvred into a bad position, probably by a too-eager agent. One of the morals of the case just ended is that such agents may prove just as dangerous to their employers as to customers. If it really was the persuasive agent who induced the Misses Jewell to plunge so recklessly, he cost, not only them, but Oetzmann's also, very dear indeed.

Another moral of the proceedings is that women should be very careful about entering into agreements. One of the Miss Jewells pleaded that she and her sisters were only "simple girls." That was what the fish said when it got on to the angler's hook. "I'm such a simple, little thing," it pleaded. "I thought it was a real fly." It went into the angler's basket all the same.

Women are excellent critics when their husbands or brothers propose to do anything rash. They have plenty of sense then. "Don't sign anything unless you understand it thoroughly. If you are doubtful about any point, take advice." But when they have set their hearts upon following a certain course, they forget their natural caution.

Yet a third moral emerges from the mist of words engendered by ten days' argument. That is—Put not your trust in lawyers. Why were Messrs. Oetzmann not advised at the beginning that they had no case, and would eventually be compelled to compromise?

The man in the street has never had any doubt as to the way the action must end. He made up his mind at once that the Misses Jewell had a substantial grievance. That has now been acknowledged and they will receive compensation. But why were Oetzmann's not advised to acknowledge it at first? F.

A THOUGHT FOR TO-DAY.

Our chief comforts often produce our greatest anxieties, and an increase of our possessions is but an inlet to new disquietudes.—*Goldsmith.*

THIS MORNING'S GOSSIP.

RUMOURS about the coming abdication of the King of Rumania have been in the air for a good many weeks past. King Charles has been in very bad health ever since the beginning of the year, and as he has, from the first, been a ruler in fact—one who concerns himself carefully with the multitudinous details of Government—as well as in name, it does not seem probable that he will retain his throne if illness prevents him from getting through the usual amount of work.

King Charles is an interesting person, although he is not nearly so well known in this country as his celebrated wife, "Carmen Sylva." He has always been a man of action, energetic, courageous, ready to face any amount of responsibility. The story of his courtship and marriage with the Queen of Rumania illustrates capital the characters of both of them, and is a pretty romance into the bargain. They met first at the German Court in 1861. It is said that she, who was then Princess Elizabeth of Wied, slipped down on the staircase of the Palace at Berlin, and would

rested her so much with his schemes for the future that she forgot to go to the concert that evening, but sat talking to him till long after the time when it had been announced to begin.

Mr. George Bernard Shaw is to be allowed another opportunity of developing his views upon all subjects under the sun, and some others, at the Court Theatre this afternoon. The great attraction, besides the ascent into the dramatic pulpit of the ever-delightful manufacturer of views and opinions, is the appearance of Miss Ellen Terry in the chief part of "Captain Brassbound's Conversion." The combination of these two talents ought to draw all the Londoners who have not got to work in the afternoon to the Court Theatre again, for probably few people saw Captain Brassbound when he appeared before the Stage Society a few years ago.

Mr. Shaw himself may very probably have lost all interest in the Captain. His theory about his earlier works, or about all the works written more than eight years ago, is a physiological one. Doctors and philosophers, since the comic days of Heraclitus of Ephesus, have pointed out that the physical being of each man—brain and blood and

THROUGH THE "MIRROR."

WHY GIRLS DO NOT MARRY.

Is it likely that English men or women will marry and bring up families when they see British women and children shipped off by hundreds from their native land, because they are starving and cannot get work?

They also see on the other hand hundreds of dirty, diseased, vermin-infested human beings, the riff-raff of every country in Europe, allowed to land here, to live and to breed here.

Take the South African war. British blood and money was spent for that, and what for? To give Englishmen a country to work in? No; but to repatriate the Boer and to give the Jew, German, or Chinaman work.

Our youths are shipped off to the wastes of North America, and foreigners take their places.

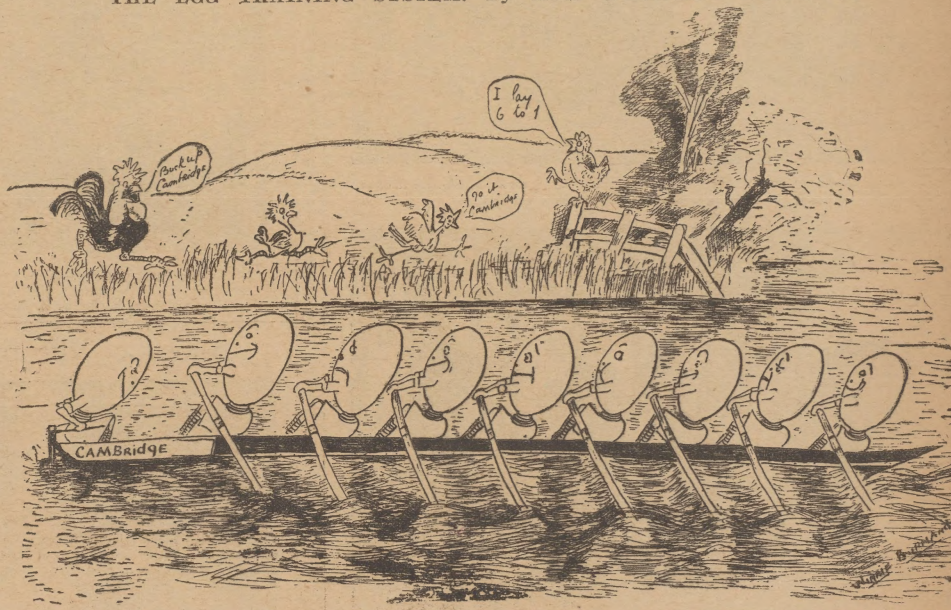
THE GROVE, HAMMERSMITH.

THE BASINGSTOKE ELECTION.

As a constant reader, and one who is often in Aldershot, I should like to ask "Tariff Reformer" a question or two.

If as he stated in Saturday's issue, the Conservative candidate did not benefit by the Liberal split,

THE EGG TRAINING SYSTEM.—By MISS WINIFRED BURNAND.



There is much talk about the good time made last week by the Cambridge crew after a breakfast of eggs, and it is suggested that eggs are the best things to train on. This is Miss Burnand's amusing contribution to the discussion. Sir Francis, her father, cannot have been an oarsman when he was at Cambridge, or she would hardly have made all the crew row on the same side!

have had a serious fall had she not been caught by a young lieutenant who happened to be there, most opportunely.

The lieutenant was Prince Charles of Hohenzollern-Sigmaringen, who was to become King of Rumania soon afterwards; but that fall down a staircase always sounds a trifle legendary. Anyhow, true or not, nothing came of it, and the two did not meet again until several years later, at Cologne. Cologne is a place to which everybody goes sooner or later, and most people who do so know the big, expensive Hotel du Nord, where many of the long-named German princes mentioned in the Almanach de Gotha have stayed at least once or twice.

There, on this occasion, was the Princess Elizabeth and her mother. They had gone to Cologne to hear a Beethoven festival, and on the very first evening the Princess met the new King of Rumania in that distinctly German garden round which the dinner-tables are set in summer. They fell to talking about Rumania, and the King began to describe his hopes, his ambitions, the dangers of the game he had to play. The Princess was then, and has remained since, affectionate rather than sentimental, and the strongest emotion in her then, as now, was the sense of duty.

She did not "fall in love" with the young King, but her sense of duty was roused. The prospect of a people's regeneration to which she might contribute tempted her. She had always regarded marriage, not as a sentimental adventure, but as a sacred and deliberate engagement to perform certain duties, and, on the woman's part, as a self-sacrifice for the sake of bringing up children. So now she promised to marry this man, who had in-

tissue—is completely renewed in eight years. Therefore, Mr. Shaw considers his present self the son of that self that wrote eight years ago, and he says that he is unable to work up much enthusiasm over things written by his own father.

Viewing his own work as he does, however, with an Oriental detachment, he finds much to admire in his early books—or perhaps I ought to say in the books of his literary grandfather—just as, at the present moment, he finds something to criticize in the tremendous, world-dazzling achievements of his later days. Only the other day a friend sitting next Mr. Shaw at dinner was asked by him: "Have you seen 'Major Barbara'?" "Why, yes, of course I have." "What, even the last act?" "Yes, even that." "Well," replied Mr. Shaw, "that is more than I can say. I myself have never been able to sit through it."

Ever since the Bishop of London confessed that he spent "only £30 a year" on books, booksellers have in various London and provincial papers sent up their lamentations of the meanness of book-buyers. Thirty pounds a year would seem to many quite wealthy people a fortune to spend in this way; and thirty shillings would be a nearer estimate of the amount.

Since the Bishop of London's remarks were published I have asked several well-known booksellers their opinion of the trade in general. Most of their purchasers—the really good and generous purchasers—seem to be Americans. But on another matter than this of buying books, one finds many of them eloquent. This is the strange behaviour of customers who send for books on approval, then return them, after seriously damaging them by marking them or tearing their leaves.

why did Mrs. Salter thank Mr. Polden for the assistance rendered to her husband? If that statement was not correct, why has it not been contradicted?

Also, how does he account for the fact that the Conservative got twenty-seven more votes at the by-election than at the general, and Mr. Verney 113 less? FREE TRADER.

DOES MAN POSSESS FREE WILL?

One feels in duty bound to reply to Mr. F. R. Theakstone's letter on free will in Saturday's issue. Surely we know that we have been given wits to choose between good and evil? Is not that free will?

No one knows better what a free will is than those who, amidst the almost overwhelming temptations of the world, are trying to follow the example set us of the perfect life we know so well.

Maidenhead, Berks. CYRIL H. GARRINGTON.

IN MY GARDEN.

MARCH 19.—We have suddenly rushed into springtime. The garden to-day seems full of lovely flowers. Golden daffodils dance above the rich green grass in shady corners; in the sun great masses of crocuses hide wide stretches of turf.

Numberless violets, white and blue, scent the moist air, and the first wallflowers can be gathered. The white rock-rose, hanging over low walls, is fast becoming a sheet of colour; while yellow primroses, polyanthus, and coloured cowslips tempt one to pick exquisite bunches.

But one of the fairest sights in the garden is a brilliant blue carpet of scillas—a wonderful joy after the grey time of winter. E. F. T.

CAMERAGRAPHS

REOPENING CHARING CROSS STATION.



After being closed for nearly four months, it required five men with crowbars to open the gates of Charing Cross Station yesterday morning.



First passengers at Charing Cross Station at the reopening yesterday, after being closed since December 5, owing to the collapse of the roof.

SCHOONER ASHORE AT BEACHY HEAD.



Last Sunday morning the schooner Laura Williamson went ashore in a fog at Beachy Head. Photograph shows how she appeared at low water, when crowds of visitors walked over from Eastbourne to view her.

FAMOUS ACTRESS THREE NOTABLE



Miss Ellen Terry appears this afternoon at the Court Theatre in "Captain Brassbound's Conversion," a play especially written for her by G. B. Shaw.—(Lafayette.)



Miss Madge Crichton will be seen this afternoon in "The Heir at Law" at the Court Theatre.—(Lafayette.)

FINISH OF THE OETZMANN CASE.



After lasting over a fortnight, the case of the Misses Jewell against Messrs. Oetzmann, in connection with the seizure of furniture at Eastbourne under a hire-purchase agreement, was yesterday settled on liberal compensation being paid to the Misses Jewell. On the left Mr. Sydney Oetzmann and his wife are seen leaving the court; on the right are the three Misses Jewell, Miss Annie, Miss Jenifore, and Miss Ellen, in order named.



REMARKABLE



Conducted by Chaplain... place last Sunday at... teen

ES APPEARING IN FIRST-NIGHTS.



Mr. Cyril Maude this afternoon at the Adelphi Theatre.—(Foulsham)



Miss Lily Brayton plays to-night in the first performance of "Measure for Measure" at the Adelphi Theatre. — (Elliott and Fry.)

CH PARADE AT LIVERPOOL MILITARY TOURNAMENT HALL.



Rev. Mr. Adams, 2nd L.R.G.A., vicar of St. Augustine's, Liverpool, a remarkable church parade took place at the Military Tournament Hall, attended by all the naval and military contingents and the local Volunteer. A preacher is seen on the extreme right of the photograph above the Union Jack.

NEWS VIEWS

STRIKE OF THE COURRIERES MINERS.



Survivors of the terrible colliery disaster at Courrières blame the employers for the lack of precautions taken to guard against accident, and have declared a strike. The photograph shows the employers entering the town hall at Lens to attend a meeting, while the miners outside are denouncing them.



The Minister of the Interior about to address the riotous miners from the steps of the Lens town hall. The chief of police demands order.



Miners discussing the situation in an estaminet. Note the chauffrette—a bowl of glowing charcoal—from which the miners light their pipes. It is lighted in the morning and remains alight all day without replenishing.

By Right of Love.

By ALICE and CLAUDE ASKEW.

CHARACTERS IN THE STORY.

PAUL CHESTER, a clever, handsome young man, with great political ambitions.
LADY SUSAN CHESTER, his wife.
THE DUKES and DUCHESS of BERKSHIRE, the coming Prime Minister and his beautiful wife.
RUPERT TEMPLE, the Duke's private secretary.
LORD ROBERT AXLYME, cousin to Lady Susan Chester, whom he loves.

CHAPTER XXVI. (continued).

Chester looked extremely cheerful and well-pleased with himself. He had received a letter from Henrietta by the Christmas post—a letter which had made him swell with pride and pleasure. It was such an infinite outpouring of a woman's soul, such an avowal of burning, blazing friendship, and it contained a promise that the years ahead should only cement this friendship and make it a truer and a greater thing—a rarified and glorious emotion.

Henrietta had smiled softly and delicately as she penned the word "friendship."

"We'll call our love by this cool, pretty name," she murmured to herself, "till the hour comes—the hour for which we were both born."
Then she had gone on to tell Chester various items of political news, and to hint at a dramatic surprise ahead for him, a coup d'état which was being carefully prepared.

"For I can tell you one thing," so she had ended her letter; "the day of your advancement is close at hand, Paul. Your Christmas gift shall soon reach you—the best gift a man like yourself can receive." Then followed the flowing signature, "Henrietta."

Chester read his letter through thoughtfully, and folded it up and put it in his pocket-book. He was not aware that Susan watched him behind the glitter of the silver tea and coffee pots, nor could he guess the jealous pain which racked his wife's soul.

This was the second letter he had received in less than ten days from the Duchess of Berkshire, Susan reflected. How she loathed the sight of those thick, white envelopes, with the neat ducal coronet at the back, and their faint perfume of white heliotrope. She called it an evil scent to herself, and she remembered how Chester had once told her how he disliked all perfumes. Doubtless, she reflected, he had altered his mind by now over that as over other things.

"What a horrid noise the bells are making!" Lady Flora Charteris was the speaker, and she put up her hand to her forehead as though she was suffering from a headache.

It was not a pretty speech for a Christmas morning, but Lady Flora was a privileged individual, and allowed to make remarks which other people would have refrained from uttering. For she was slightly—very slightly—deformed, and the knowledge of her affliction had fretted and warped her soul and made her an ill-tempered and peevish little person.

She had the raised shoulders of a hunchback, and what made it all the more painful was the fact that if it had not been for this physical defect she would have been a very beautiful girl, a very beautiful, perhaps, than either of her two sisters, and the knowledge of this had bitten like iron into Lady Flora's soul.

She was wonderfully fair. Her flaxen hair in some lights looked like a cloud of silver and her complexion had a curious transparency about it. Her neck and hands were as white and as soft as the skin of an egg. Her eyes were wonderful, piercingly bright and blue. She had a delicious mouth, warm, soft, and red. Her feet could have graced Cinderella's slippers, and she could sing, when she chose, like a siren. In stature she was painfully undersized and as slim and slight as a child.

She was morbidly vain of her beautiful face, morbidly conscious of her deformed shoulders. A curious and interesting study of warped womanhood, with the smile of an angel and the tongue of a shrew.

About four years ago she had fallen in love, but the secret of her unhappy passion was known only to herself and the individual she had been so infatuated with, but it was a burning degradation to Lady Flora to remember how she had once cast all womanly modesty to the winds and boldly entreated this man for his love.

She had been repulsed—kindly but firmly—and the man she had cared for had married another woman. That, perhaps, was the worst blow of all.

The only comfort that the miserable girl could hug to herself was the knowledge that no one ever knew or had guessed her secret—the woman whom the man had married least of all.

"Do the bells make your head ache, darling?" Susan looked anxiously across the table at her sister. She was always very tender and loving with Flora, feeling so sorry for the other.

Years ago when all the young girls together, she had cared for Flora much more than she had cared for Milly, but since her marriage a shade of constraint seemed to have crept between her and the sister who was so near her own age, and Susan had sometimes wondered if the hunchback girl was jealous of her, and envious of her position as the mistress of Amplett Court. But she always tried to put such an idea as of her mind—such a suspicion from her heart.

"I hate Christmas!" Flora snapped the words out, then glanced viciously down the table. "Don't you think Christmas is a wretched, stupid, overrated day, Paul," she went on, addressing herself to her brother-in-law, "and that the whole farce of present-giving and card-sending is absurd?"

"No, I don't think so," returned Chester, with a bright smile. "I have a steady, old-fashioned belief in keeping Christmas as it ought to be kept, and whilst we are upon the matter of gifts"—he put his hand into the breast-pocket of his coat and drew out a small parcel, which obviously hailed from a jeweller's shop, then he handed the white, red-sealed packet over to Susan—"I hope you will like my Christmas offering," he said slowly. "I believe the emeralds are rather fine."

"Emeralds!" exclaimed Lady Amplett. She was a tired, worn-looking woman, but possessed a certain faded prettiness of her own. She glanced at her daughter with shining, maternal eyes, for it was good to think that Susan, at any rate, had all she desired in this world, and the mother was uselessly joyful over her child's new trinket.

"I have always wanted you to have some nice emeralds, Susan, dear," she went on. "They are stones I am particularly fond of. But do open the case and see what Paul has given you."

Susan flushed. The eyes of her whole family were upon her, and she was conscious of their stare. She opened the Morocco case. A large, long case—Paul had evidently presented her with a necklace or a tiara.

"Come, my dear, let's see these emeralds—let's see."

Lord Amplett put on his gold-rimmed pince-nez; he was a thin, well-preserved old gentleman—an aristocrat to his finger-tips. He had a pale, bloodless face, clear-cut aquiline features, and a carefully-curled white moustache. Far more handsome in his way than many a younger man, but it was the way of a worn-out line.

"Emeralds, Sue, emeralds." Milly clapped her hands, and her bright laugh rang through the room. She was so happy, poor little girl, to find herself sitting next her cousin, even though Robert had said very little to her beyond the conventional Christmas greetings.

Susan caught her breath, and the look of a hunted animal came into her eyes. She felt she couldn't accept a present from Chester—it was impossible, knowing all she knew.

Last year, when he had given her a big diamond sun, things had been different, for though she knew he didn't love her, at least there had been no other woman in his life, but now—now everything was changed.

She remembered the scene that had taken place between herself and Henrietta at Helmsworth, and how the other woman had asserted her claim to be the presiding genius of Paul Chester's life—the good angel of his fortunes. And Susan had bowed her head in acquiescence, had acknowledged the other's superior claim; and, after such a scene, was it possible that she could accept jewels from Paul? Her blood boiled at the thought; her face flamed.

She rose from the breakfast-table, pushing the Morocco case back to her husband.

"Thank you, Paul, for thinking of me," she murmured, her voice was thin and cold. "But—but—I don't care much for emeralds."

She walked slowly towards the door and had left the room before the party round the table had recovered from their consternation—their dismay.

CHAPTER XXVII.

Susan, on leaving the dining-room, made her way straight to her own boudoir, and when she reached the pleasant chintz-hung room she sat down nervously in a chair. A sick trembling was shaking all her limbs, and she wondered with some trepidation what Paul would think of her conduct in returning him the emeralds—his Christmas gift.

Would he be furious with her—hurt and displeased? Or would he understand the mood which prompted her to such an action, and realise that it was impossible for her to accept anything more at his hands without damage to her self-respect, her pride?

As to what her own people and Lord Robert might think, Susan really didn't care. She had unfortunately never been able to have much respect for her father, and though she was sorry for her mother she realised the helpless weakness of the latter's character.

"May I come in, Susan?"

The young woman started as she heard her husband's voice at the door. He was knocking as formally as a servant might, or the most casual acquaintance.

"Come in? Why, of course." She flushed a little, then sat rigidly upright in her chair, wondering if Paul was going to make a scene, and what would pass between them within the next few moments.

(To be continued.)



Brains and Beauty.

To Girls who use their BRAINS and wish to keep their LOOKS.



BUSINESS OVERTAKES A WOMAN'S STRENGTH.

WEAK, LINGUISHING GIRLS FADE UNDER THE STRAIN.

THEY RISK HEALTH RATHER THAN LOSE EMPLOYMENT, AND LOSS OF HEALTH MEANS LOSS OF BEAUTY.

Thousands of earnest, intelligent young women who earn a livelihood away from home in city houses, public offices, and large business establishments are silent, suffering victims of overtaxed Nerves and deficiency of strength.

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Miss A. Anderson, 37, Dempster-road, Wandsworth, London, states:

"Sometimes I could go to business, but not for long. I had no strength, was short of breath and could hardly walk. In the daytime I was very tired and sleepy, yet was wakeful and restless at night. I could seldom touch breakfast; pains would shoot through my shoulders, and my back was very weak. My cheeks and lips grew white, and indigestion followed on this state of debility and bloodlessness."

"I went to St. Thomas's and Brompton Hospitals, and also tried many medicines, but when I had grown nearly tired of physic a friend suggested Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. I tried them, and before long began to regain my health, could walk without trouble, and so mended rapidly until, after a few boxes, I was perfectly cured. My ability to work and all my health and strength are really due to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills."

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THE MONEY MARKET.

Cheaper Money Rates and Large
Influx of Gold into Bank.

PARIS SELLS KAFFIRS.

CAPEL COURT, Monday Evening.—Markets tried to improve to-day, and the attempt was not very successful. Consols, however, held their own, for, although people were still talking about the Morocco uncertainties, there came a welcome piece of news just at the close of markets, which caused a favourable impression.

The good news took the shape of cheaper money rates reported in the banking world and the large influx of gold into the Bank. There was during the earlier part of the day nothing to cause the market to look for any particular ease. It seemed to be taken for granted that Paris would secure the half-million or so of gold in the open market. But the Bank of England swooped down upon it and secured about £350,000, and this seemed quite to change the situation in the banking world. People again showed considerable confidence in cheaper money, and, naturally, when they are talking of cheaper money, the tendency of the stock markets was not unfavourable. Consols closed at 90½.

DISAPPOINTING HOME RAIL TRAFFICS.

After showing some firmness, the Home Railway market hesitated, and a few of the more speculative securities were offered, things like Brighton "A" and Great Northern Deferred. In the case of Brighton "A" there was a disappointing traffic. The showing was £69 decrease, and, as it went against a big decrease last year, it had been hoped that the line would have done better.

All sorts of rumours are put about in connection with the Pennsylvania coal strike, but there is nothing of any reliable nature to show whether the strike will take place or not. They manage to keep American Rails fairly firm, and that is all that can be said. The Canadian Railway group is very firm, for here there was a good Canadian Pacific traffic of about £45,000 to back up the big Grand Trunk traffic increase noted on Saturday.

Perhaps Foreign Rails were as good a section as any. Towards the end of last week they began to come into favour again, and they kept the ball rolling to-day. The Mexican group, perhaps, is the most prominent for genuine buying, but there is reviving activity in the Brazilian section, although to-day it was checked at one time by more stories of floods. The Argentine Railway division is also distinctly firm.

PARIS NERVOUS ABOUT KAFFIRS.

So long as Morocco settlements are delayed, so long, of course, ought the leading stocks of the Foreign market to show uncertainty. As a matter of fact, all through this trying period they have held up very well indeed. To-day the worst that can be said is that one or two leading stocks, like Spanish, are just a little off colour. Rio Tinto, too, as a bourse favourite, were a little easier. But, taking the copper shares as a whole, they were firm, and well they might be, for there seems no stopping the rise in copper itself, and the price of the metal was exceedingly firm to-day.

Paris seems to have a nervous attack in regard to Kaffirs. From that centre came selling orders for nearly all the leading shares. One or two French newspapers are lamenting the losses of French holders since the present Government came into power in this country. Whether it is an attack of nervousness or not, at all events Paris is a seller. In fact, mines as a whole were not very cheerful to-day.

Speculative support was forthcoming for Hudson's Bays, but Anglo "A" drooped. There was some offering of Lyons. The Nitrate group was firmer.

SPRING "CYCLE CAMPS."

Elaborate Equipment Which Ingenious Devices Enable
Tourist To Carry Easily.

Cycle camping is to be popular this spring, many tours having been arranged by the Association of Cycle-Campers, whose first "camp-fire" of the season will be held on March 31, at the Crystal Palace. Remarkable ingenuity is shown by the cycling tourists in carrying tents and cooking utensils, one pot fitting into another so dexterously that all fit in the tent, which looks like a knapsack when loaded. Imagine carrying these things on a cycle jaunt to the seaside or mountains!

Tent.
Blankets.
Groundsheets.
Cutlery.
Salt-nest.
Cocoa.
Jam.
Cooking stove.
Plates.
Cups.

Tea.
Quaker oats.
Saucepan.
Butter-box.
Sleeping bag.
Cotton dishcloths.
Matches.
Cooking screen.
Candles.

Besides these the cyclist must carry meat, vegetables, bread, fruit, cakes, and other edibles.

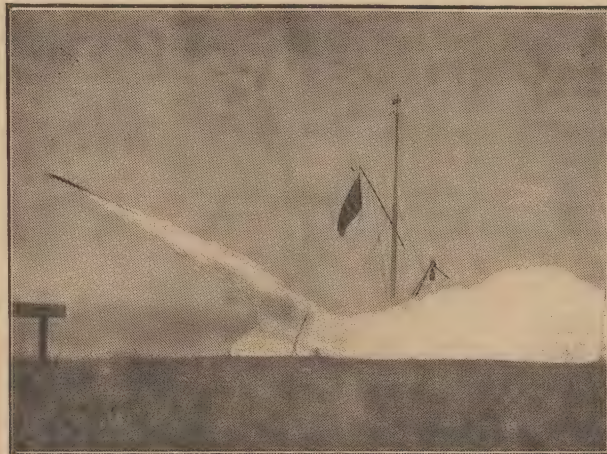
THE FAMOUS LARNER JEWELS.—The interesting story of the famous Larner Jewels appears in "Family Herald Supplement" No. 1415, which is now on sale at all Newsagents and Bookstalls, price one penny.—(Adv.)

CAMBRIDGE BEAT OXFORD AT LACROSSE.



At Queen's Club, West Kensington, yesterday the fourth annual inter-Varsity lacrosse match ended in a win for Cambridge by 10 goals to 3.

No. 36.—AMATEUR PHOTOGRAPHERS' COMPETITION.



Amateur photographers are invited to send interesting news photographs to the "Daily Mirror." For each one used 10s. 6d. will be paid, and every week a £2 2s. prize will be awarded to the sender of the picture adjudged by the Editor to be the best. No. 36, sent by Mr. W. Patrick, 9, Alliance-avenue, Hull, shows the rocket brigade firing a rocket to a ship in distress at Saltburn, on the Yorkshire coast.

CHARING CROSS REOPENS

Traffic as Brisk as Ever, Though the
Termini Looks Unfamiliar.

Charing Cross resumed its normal appearance yesterday as regards the platforms, trains running for the first time since the memorable disaster of December 5, when a portion of the roof collapsed. Everything went well. Passengers were so numerous that they had to stand in many trains. The bustle on the platforms and in the yard and environs of the station provided a cheerful spectacle to Londoners, who have never grown accustomed to the silence and desolation of a spot they had always known as throbbing with life.

The long spell of suspended animation came to an end quietly and without ceremony with the early hours, the first outgoing train—a local one—leaving at half-past four.

The main-line service commenced at 5.15, and it and the trains which succeeded it carried about the same number of passengers as had been in the habit of using the station before the disaster.

Beyond slight delays at Cannon-street, between eight and nine o'clock, the service was continued without a hitch.

Sightseers were numerous in the afternoon, and the police had to keep the crowds moving. Tradespeople in the streets at hand rejoiced. They said that their trade had appreciably improved, though some time would have to elapse before normal conditions were felt.

The station, however, has yet a strange, unfamiliar look about it. Half-way up the platforms there is a large and massively-built scaffold, so constructed that the trains can run below it without interfering in any way with the work of pulling down the remaining part of the roof.

PNEUMONIA WEATHER.

Present Variable Conditions Make the Greatest
Care and Precaution Imperative.

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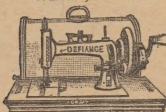
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Under the auspices of the Empress Josephine a

most correct form cannot possibly flourish—at any rate, for daytime wear. In the evening, too, it is only rarely a thorough success, but happily our dressmakers are adapting certain of its salient features to robes such as the one shown in the sketch on this page to-day. It will be seen that the short waist is abandoned in this case, but that the beautiful laurel-leaf trimming that is so typical of old Empire days is retained, and that just an indication of the high-waisted bodice is afforded by the straps and scalloped berthe of the corsage.

Carried out in Empire green satin of a very soft calibre trimmed with gold laurel leaves, as shown in the picture, and finished with a chemisette and sleeves of ivory-tinted lace, what a beautiful and stately robe this would be. An old Empire tiara rising in the front is worn in the coiffure, and round

A green satin toilette for evening wear, trimmed with gold laurel leaves, and finished by means of an ivory-tinted chemisette and elbow sleeves.



very short waist and a full skirt veiling the waistline were characteristic details of the Empire dress a hundred years ago. It is to be hoped it will not flourish for street wear in this guise now, for though its appearance in a ballroom we may heartily admire, the average English figure is not lissom and slender enough to be become by a gown that does not silhouette the form, a verdict that glances at old pictures will confirm.

Then, again, we live in very different days now to those that ruled a century ago, when it was considered correct for fragile femininity to pass many hours of its existence in the house, and even on the sofa! In days when feebleness was misunderstood for elegance, the Empire dress very likely was not only a convenient form, but a graceful; but to-day we walk and play games, drive motor-cars, and lead what is called a strenuous life—conditions under which the Empire frock in its

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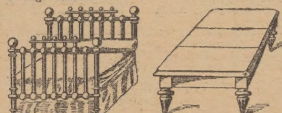
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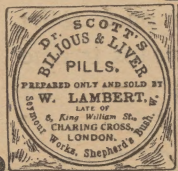
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BUSHE-FOX-WILLOUGHBY—On the 17th inst. (St. Patrick's Day), at Christ Church, Lancaster-gate, by the Hon. and Very Rev. the Dean of Hereford, assisted by the Rev. H. P. H. Borchell Herne, Loftus H. K. Bushe-Fox, Fellow and Tutor of St. John's College, Cambridge, eldest son of the late Major Bushe-Fox, of Cordara, Co. Londonderry, to Theodora, youngest daughter of the late H. W. Willoughby Esq., of Montagu-square, and Mrs. Willoughby, of 8, Leicester-gardens, Hyde Park.

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